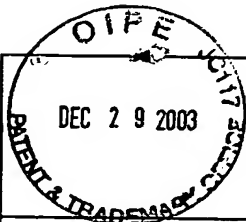


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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL  
LETTER AND REQUEST FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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Invention Title  
**PREPARATION OF N-METHYLPAROXETINE  
AND RELATED INTERMEDIATE  
COMPOUNDS**

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Signature: Raymond M. Smith

Transmitted herewith are:

1. Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and Request for Extension of Time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

Applicants respectfully request a three month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action, for which a response period expiring on September 26, 2003 was set. The extended period expires on December 26, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extension fee of \$950.00 to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**.

2. Information Disclosure Statement
3. The filing fee has been calculated after entry of the accompanying Amendment as shown below:

|                                   | CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT |       | HIGHEST<br>NUMBER<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | PRESENT<br>NUMBER<br>EXTRA | RATE (\$) | FEE (\$) |
|-----------------------------------|---|-------|---|----------------------------|-----------|----------|
| TOTAL CLAIMS                      | 33  | minus | 28  | 5                          | 18.00     | 90.00    |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS                | 4   | minus | 4   | 0                          | 84.00     | 0.00     |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT<br>CLAIM ADDED |   |       |   |                            | 280.00    | 0.00     |
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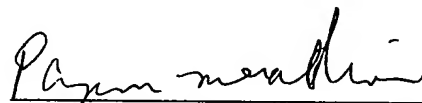
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4. Please charge the required additional claims fee of \$90.00 to deposit account number **11-0600**.
5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**:
  - A. Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16;
  - B. Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17;
  - C. Any additional patent issue fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18;
  - D. Any additional document supply fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.19;
  - E. Any additional post-patent processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20; or
  - F. Any additional miscellaneous fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.21.
6. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

Dated: December 23, 2003

By:



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